



# CHILDREN'S NEWS

## November in the Children's Room

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Although fall story times at Lane Memorial Library are now over, rest assured that we'll be starting up winter story times in January. More information will follow. Please also check the library's home page ([www.hampton.lib.nh.us](http://www.hampton.lib.nh.us)) or the blog for updates on these and other events.

The poet Thomas Hood once wrote: "No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds—November."

However, contrary to the mood of the above quotation, November is an exciting time for libraries—and for you.

First of all, we join with educators, bookstores, and YOU to celebrate Children's Book Week, November 13-19. During this time we will be highlighting children's book favorites, old and new. The Children's Room is ordering wonderful materials all the time, so please come in and see what new treasures are yours to be discovered.

At that same time we are also celebrating early literacy and quality in children's literature with the New Hampshire Ladybug Picture Book Award. The

Ladybug Award is sponsored by the New Hampshire Center for the Book. Nominated picture books have been published within the last three years, are currently in print, have either a United States author or illustrator, possess strong child appeal, have artistic quality with text that supports the illustrations, and have not been previously nominated for the Ladybug.

We'll have a voting ballot set up so that youngsters in preschool through third grade can choose their favorites.



## Book Groups

The two book groups for the older kids continue throughout the year. New members are welcome to join either group. Additional groups are also possible. Talk to Cheryl to learn more.

3rd, 4th, and 5th graders meet every other Thursday at 4:00 p.m. to share the books they are reading. Next meeting: **November 9.**

Middle School students meet on the 4th Monday of each

month at 3:00 p.m. Next meeting: **November 27 (the Monday after Thanksgiving).** We'll be discussing the potentially depressing theme of death (the group's choice) as it appears in all kinds of books.

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# Holiday Craft Fair and Bake Sale

Sponsored by The Friends of Lane Memorial Library

Friday, November 17, 9:30-4:30  
Saturday, November 18, 9:30-3:00



Coming up next month...  
**THE POLAR EXPRESS PARTY!**  
Sign-ups will begin November 20.  
The train pulls into the station on  
Thursday, December 14.

## Reading Buddies at Lane Memorial Library

The Reading Buddies are coming! The Reading Buddies are coming!

Lane Memorial Library is preparing to launch a Reading Buddies program for students in kindergarten through high school. The program will pair younger readers with older readers—or possibly create small groups of three or four, depending on registration. These “buddies” will meet at the library to read together. Participants may choose from picture books, easy readers, chapter books, nonfiction, or any combination thereof. Readers may share the reading or assign specific

reader and listener roles. Arrangements within each pair or group will be flexible to accommodate each student’s comfort level.

Sign-ups for the Reading Buddies program begin November 6 and run through November 20. There will be an initial two-session trial run on Monday, November 27 at 4:00 p.m., and Monday, December 11, at 4:00 p.m. If the trial run is successful, the Reading Buddies will then meet regularly starting in January 2007. To register, please call or stop by the children’s room: 926-4729.



Students in preschool through  
3rd grade:  
Vote for your favorite  
Ladybug nominee!